surgery. During the project period it is also envisaged that facilities would be upgraded in Medical Colleges and District Hospitals to enable intra-ocular lens iiB-plant surgery to be performed selectively on patients who would benefit from this process.

Setting up of Oil refinery at Paradip in Orissa

*49. SHRI ASHIS SEN :

SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whe'her Government have decided to set up an oil refinery at Pardip in Orissa;

(b) if so, by when is it likely to corpe up; and

(c) what type of crude would be processed in this oil refinery ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA) : (a) Government have decided, in principle, to set up a 6 MMTPA refinery as joint venture in Eastern India. Letter of Intent has also been issued to M/s. Ashok Leyland-GOTCO on 14-8-1992 for setting up a refinery of *6* MMTPA capacity in Paradip in Orissa.

(b) The approximate time required for putting up a refinery is between 48 months to 60 months from the date of approval by the Government.

(c) As per tentative plans, imported crude would be processed in this refinery.

Implementation of family planning programmes

*50. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA :

SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have been sending delegations to countries like China, Indonesia etc. to study the success of the family planning programmes in these countries;

(b) if so, the details of such delegations sent to these countries and also of the findings of these study tours and the amount spent by the Government on these delegations;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Statee like Kerala and Tamil Nadu have been successfully implementing the family planing programmes and the birth rate in these States have already fallen much below the all-India target for the year 2000; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to study the experience of these States and adopt it in other States instead of spending crores of rupees on foreign tours ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (d) During the last three years the following delegations were sent abroad to study the family planning programme :

In 1990-91 three delegations visited :	(i) China (ii) Phillipines and Thailand (iii) Egypt and Tunisia
In 1991-92 one delegation visited :	(i) China, Thailand and Singapore
In 1992-93 one delegation visited :	(i) Thailand